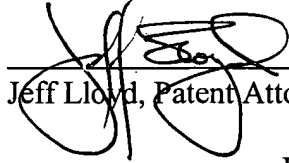


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Sir:

In response to the Communication mailed February 4, 2004 in the application identified above, Applicants make the following amendments: